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# RS BLOW SAFE T FRAZIER'S STORE

SAFE GETAWAY ning Robbery and Safe First in Several Years

Vednesday morning safe isited St. Helens and pick-Wednesday azier's Confectionery as the work. They blew the safe the several hundred dollars proprietor had left in the a few hours before. It is the robbery occurred clock in the morning. Mr. id not leave his store until ers waited a few hours benning their work. Appar-y were familiar with the and the easiest manner of ccess, for the side door in way between the pool hall milk depot, was the one break open.

ot Work of Novices Stanwood is inclined to beb before. The combination fe had been pried loose, and o-glycerine or "soup" had red in. At the bottom of the p-glycerine an abundance of soap had to keep the "soup" from out. A sufficient quantity xplosive had been used, as the safe were found in varts of the pool room, and hich were in the safe, were over the floor.

bers Are Considerate he robbers were considerate ad by the fact that they left der about \$9.85 in loose nickles, dimes and pennies, left several War Savings None of his private papers Several parties who he vicinity of the robbed and the explosion. Marshal the Masonic building, heard id it sounded like a pile of tail fallen down. He went the mill dock, but there evidence of anything out or ary and it is reported that watchman at the mill made that he heard a noise, but ed as though a big timber a from a truck. The sheriff shal believe that the yeg-some one to spot the mar-see when he left his beat and and that the work was ring the time he was

Dillard's Auto Stolen cossible that the robbers of escape in W. B. Dillard's auto taken. Mr. Dillard disthe theft early in the morninformed the sheriff, who Mr Dillard went to Portlane and the car parked near 10th er streets. It was uninjured. er streets. It was uninjured. upposition that two strangers seen in St. Helens Tuesmay have committed the but before doing so, made stigation as to the best mannaking a getaway. Dillard's and car were handy, so both

heriff Has Good Clew Stanwood has a good clew nd is quietly working them finger print specialist from rift's office in Portland took er prints from the door or and this might lead to the of the yeg or yegmen. all appearances, the rob-as well planned and carried ording to plans, and if the acceeds in apprehending the he will have done a clever detective work.

#### NKEN NEGRO FOR ITS \$150 BAIL MONEY

smell of liquor. He peered that the doctors pronounced her mentally unbalanced and she was sent to the state hospital at Salem.

A. E. Lessing, a ship caulker, was refused, whereupon he came s court Monday morning. The lidn't come back, so the city is

Supervisor Clark has a force moving the buildings in West ens, which were on the right-of the highway. Good prog-being made and the buildings on be placed in other loca-

#### HEARING PROMISED ON PITTSBURG ROAD

Chamber of Cemmerce Representa-tives Will Meet Commission

Secretary Storia of the St Heiens Chamber of Commerce is in receipt of a letter from the state highway engineer's department acknowledging receipt of a communication, giving in detail particulars as to the St. Helens-Pittsburg road, the need of the road and the advantage the Nehalem valley would obtain by the building or completion of the road. The matter was taken up with S. Benson, chairman of the commission, who will at some date in the near future, head a committee from the commission who will endeavor to secure state and federal aid in the building of this important road.

The committee appointed to meet with the state highway commission are: S. C. Morton, Edison I. Ballagh, J. H. Plynn and H. E. Abry. The latter, who is roadmaster for the latter, who is roadmaster for the county, estimates that it will require \$80 191 to complete the balance of the grading of the road and that \$50,400 will be required for the rockt the safe blowing was the ing of the road, or a total of \$130, parties who had done the 591 the 591

The citizens of St. Helens, those who live in the territory between St. Helens and Pittsburg and the resi-dents of the Nehalem, hope that the efforts of the Chamber of Commerce to secure state and federal aid wilr be successful and that when the state highway commission is preparing its road expenditure program, that this important link between Nehalem and the front will not be

#### PREPARING NOW FOR GLORIOUS FOURTH

Chamber of Commerce Committee are Working Out Plans

Chamber of Commerce committee are now busy preparing preliminary plans. Under the direction of the committee, Executive Secretary Storla has sent out letters to all nearby towns and the organizations in those towns, asking them to join with St. Helens in making it a real big cele-

planning to come to St. Helens on the ests of the city.

Fourth, and a committee from the lodge will be been Synday. lodge will be here Sunday night to confer with the Chamber of Com merce committee. It might appear that it is a little early to talk of a celebration, but if a big one like the committee plans, is to be held, it will take some time to work out and they are starting none too soon. The residents of St. Helens and nearby communities, therefore, can be assur-ed of a celebration that will be worth

### TO ST. HELENS SOON

The D. O. O. K., which is a side order of the K. of P., are coming to St. Helens on April 19th, for the purpose of initiating some 35 or 40 who have made application to join the order. It is expected that large delegations of the K. of P from the several points in the county, will be present. It is planned to have a street parade in the evening, the famous D. O. O. K. band will furnish the music for the occasion. It will be more of a gala affair for the spectator than for the candidate who will be compelled to walk the hot sands of the desert, but an enjoyable time is

#### WOMAN IS SENT TO THE STATE HOSPITAL

Mrs. Minnetta Davidson of the Chapman district, was adjudged mentally unbalanced and sent to the state asylum. The unfortunate woman imagined she was possessed of millions. When Sheriff Stany Sunday morning, Marsha; who was still on duty, an automible standing of a street and the driver was the garage opened. Potter into the garage opened. Potter into the standard of the strength of the streng the stranger that no gasoline chequer, which could be used for en-be obtained at that hour of the tertaining. The sheriff prevailed e obtained at that hour of the tertaining. The sheriff prevailed is. The driver of the car was upon Mrs. Davidson to accompany and the marshal noticed a him to St. Helens. The result was

A. E. Lessing, a ship caulker, was refused, whereupon he came the door very suddenly and g on the sidewalk, two pint of whiskey fell from his. The marshal searched the dound another pint flask. Buple were placed under arrest to wishing to detain them, the all made the negro put up \$150 mill for his appearance in Judge to court Monday morning. The Mr Potter is hot after the auto spe fiends and will make them drive their cars according to the city or-dinance and insure the safety of

### MASS MEETING TICKET CHOSEN AT ELECTION

SMALL VOTE IS CAST HAVE RUBBISH READY

Recently Elected Officers to Take Charge Monday Night

The city election Monday, was devoid of any excitment, except that some of the strong supporters of the city caucus or mass meeting ticket, worked hard to elect the ticket. The successful candidates and votes they

Councilmen (2-year term) Robert Dixon, 122. Charles White, 150. Councilmen (1-year term) James O'Connor, 137. Charles Wheeler, 116 The Independent candidates ceived the following votes:

Councilmen (2-year term)
A. S. Harrison, 46.
C. H. Thompson, 56.
Councilmen (1-year term) A. M. Holt, 36, J. W. McDon:ld, 81. The vote by precincts was: Word 1 Ward 2

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In Ward No. 1, A. J. no opposition. Kelly received 135 and W. A. Levi, 143. In Ward No. 2, Kelly had 29 and Levi 24, giving a total of 164 and 167 respectively.

Some little confusion resulted on account of the way the non-thinking voter expressed his choice. The bal-lot stated "vote for four," and many voted for three for the two year In order that St Helens may have voted for three for the two year term, big Fourth of July celebration, the term and one for the one year term, big Fourth of July celebration, the term and one for the one year term. ed to the attention of the election board and the ballots recounted, but the result, so far as the majority was concerned, was not affected. The men elected are well known in St. Helens and have interests here

and the Mist hopes that their administration will be successful and they

## SATURDAY BIG DAY OF CLEAN-UP WEEK

Clean-up Week Ends Tomorrow and all Citizens Expected to Aid

Tomorrow is the end of the Cleanup Week which was inagurated by the St. Helens Chamber of Commerce and supported by the city administration. All of those who have not gathered their rubbish, are expected to have it in some convenient place near the curb or street, so that the eight or ten teams which will be engaged in hauling away the rubbish, can easily locate and handle it.

Monday night there was an en-thusiastic meeting at the St. Helens Chamber of Commerce rooms, of those who were to see that the city was given a good cleaning and plans were formulated so that the work could be carried out with promptness The mayor and city health officer have selected a place for the dump-ing of the garbage and the captain of the team brigade will lose no time in getting the garbage and rubbish

There is a lieutenant for every block and it devolves upon this offi-cial to see that those residing in the block obey the orders of the general commander. Already, many have been at work cleaning up their pre-mises and when Saturday night comes, it is expected that St. Helens will be a real clean city.

Saturday afternoon has been de-clared a half holiday and all the school children will turn out in force to aid in the general clean-up plan. If you haven't cleaned up your premises, clean them up today and have the rubbish placed so that the 10 teams under the direction of Captain Knute Bjorkman, will not be delayed in gathering up and hauling away

The clean-up idea seems to have taken a firm hold in St. Helens, as is evidenced by the numerous piles of rubbish placed along the streets and convenient for the clean-up wagons and doubtless those have not been busy cleaning up, will get busy today and tomorrow join in the good clean-up work.

#### INTERESTING NOTES OF COUNTY'S SCHOOLS

By J. W. ALLEN County School Superintendent

The W. S. S. sales are warming up. ed and have selected their help and are at work. Every dollar invested in W. S. S. will reduce the county quota on Liberty Bonds just that much. John L. Storla is manager for St. Helens and his quota is \$75,000.00.

M. E. Erickson, genial clerk of District 40, was a pleasant official caller Wednesday, at the county seat. Much club work has been taken up this year and several hundred boys and girls are at work on the various projects Standard clubs have been organized in many schools. Standard clubs must have at least five pupils taking the same project, be regularly organized with a responsible leader, hold regular meetings throughout the year and give at least one demonstration and an annual exhibit monstration and an annual exhibit with at least 70 per cent of the mem-bers finishing up the work. Both the grades and high school of St. Helens are taking up club work and some fine clubs are being organized here for the first time. Club work here for the first time. Club work includes canning, cooking, sewing, gardening, raising of poultry, sheep, pigs, goats, corn, potatoes, etc. Valuable lessons are given by O. A. U. in all of these projects without cost to those taking them. to those taking them.

We need more work in keeping up our standard schools and in making other schools studard. Is your school

as a part of our war history. Do you know of any soldier not enrolled? If so, ask us for a blank. Returned soldiers should fill out their own blank.

The county superintendent sent out on Monday the county fund, amount-ing to \$33,293.06, to the various dis-

Next eighth grade examination will be held May 15-16, June 12-13, Sept-ember 4-5. Teacher's examinations will be held June 25-26-27-28.

# CAMPAIGN IS ON FOR **ROOSEVELT HIGHWAY**

TO BE A COAST ROAD Columbia County Asked to Assist in Good Road Program

The campaign for the Roosevelt highway which will extend from Clatsop county along the coast to the California line, is now under way. The bill, which was passed by the legislature, provided for the issue of \$2,500,000 of bonds for the purpose of constructing this highway along The last Columbia county teacher's meeting for the year is called to convene at St. Helens on April 18. \$2,500,000 of bonds for the purpose of constructing this highway along before the meeting and it is desired the coast of Oregon, upon the condition, however that the Federal government appropriate an equal ernment appropriate an equat amount for the same purpose. If the government fails to do this, then no part of these bonds can be issued by the state, and if the Federal gov-ernment does appropriate a like amount for this purpose it will give to Oregon all the advantages of this road at a cost of 50 cents or the dol-

Vice presidents have been appointed in each county in Oregon. In Clatsop county, A. W. Norblad is vice president and in Columbia county, S. C. Morton has been chosen as vice president
Representative Bailagh is

Representative Bailagh is much interested in the work and will take an active part in raising funds for the conduct of a publicity campaign. He has received 1000 Roosevelt Highway buttons, which he expects to sell to the auto owners of Columbia county at \$1.00 each. The amount realized by the sale of the buttons will be forwarded to the secretary's office in Portland and used for the necessary expenses incidental for the necessary expenses incidental to conducting the campaign.

The coast counties are practically isolated from the rest of Oregon so We want a questionnaire from ed. When the Roosevelt mgnwa, your soldier boy for the state library, built, that isolated section will be connected with the rest of Oregon. Goodly portions or links of the high-way are already constructed and paid for and the completion and con-necting up of these links as a trunk or through read, will make the pres-ent links more useful. Mr. Ballagh hopes to get out and canvass the county in the interest of this necessary highway and show the voters the necessity of such a highway.

> helped to take almost half a century ago and it is not drawing on one's imagination to believe that Christian will have SOME satisfac-tion in relating the story as to how the Germans left their stronghold.

Stewart McKle is home after more

than a year's service in France in the aviation section. He enlisted on April 13, 1917 and was sent to San Antonia, Texas. From there he went to Dayton, Ohio, to flying school. Thinking that he would have a better chance to become a flyer, he volunteered to go over, and sailed from New York, December 4th, on the steamer Northland. The ship arrived at Halifax a few hours after the great explosion and remained there for several days until other troop ships could be assembled. In the convoy of which his vessel was one, there were nine troopships and they hinking that he would have a betthere were nine troopships and they were accompanied by naval destroyers. They were landed at Liverpool and a few days later at Harve, bravery and determination. David came back alive, but he shows the effect of his hardships and the dose of German gas which he received while close to the German lines last However, he was out of He had full charge of the 25 planes in a few weeks and help- and it was his duty to see that they were always in condition to go. How well he did his duty is attested by the fact that his squadron had German planes (official count) their credit, and 24 more claimed which couldn't be counted on ac-count of having dropped behind the German lines. His squadron lost 1v

> Huold Decker, who arrived home last Saturday, was in the hospital corps and stationed at the general base hospital at Chaumont. town was Pershing's headquarters, and Harold saw the general quite often. He was a busy man, so Harold stated. The general's big touring car was always ready to go and at a moments notice, and very often it went at such notice. The hospital was situated some distance back of Nancy and at first was a general hospital, but in the big drives it was turned into an evacuation hospital, and first aid was given and the wounded then sent back to another general base hospital. Harold said that 63,000 wounded were treated in the hospital and only 472 deaths occurred. Harold enlisted in April occurred. Harold enlisted in April, 1917. He was sent to Fort Worden, Washington. Later to Fort Jay, N. Y., and sailed on the steamer Orduna, September 8th. There were eight transports in the convoy and

have had a lieutenant's commission

# St. Helens' Boy in First American Company to Cross Bridge Over Rhine



Was First Over Rhine

To a St Helens' soldier fell the distinction of being one of the first American soldiers to cross The soldier is Arthur (Roy) Veazle and he was with Company E of the 32nd Engineers when the bridge at Coblenz was crossed by American troops. His regiment was at Luxemberg and was ordered to Colblenz. The troop train which brought them near that German city, went ahead of schedule time, conse quently his company and another company of the same regiment, ar-rived in Coblenz a little ahead of time and before all the German soldiers had left. They crossed the in the above picture, on December 6. A German officer told the American cartain that his soldiers had come too soon, but the American captain can troops walked guard with the German soldiers for the first few nights and until another contingent of the army of occupation had ar-

Roy said the German people were hospitable. Whether it policy or real friendliness, he didn't know, but after the first few days in Coblenz, which is an important and beautiful city, the German people showed the American soldiers every

Roy was in the battles of the Aisne-Marne, St. Mihiel and Argonne and part of the time was a truck driver bringing up necessary supplies. He had many close calls and endured many hardships. The U. S. soldier boys, he said, were always the contraction of the co cheerful, even when going over the top and there was no such thought as turning back He stayed in German territory from December 6th, for a number of days before his regiment was replaced and his company were given orders to come home, a place he was mighty glad to reach.

left there; the result of hand to hand lt was a dangerous business, most nerve racking and called

Drove an Ammunition Wagon Ralph Davie, a former resident of

St. Helens, after joining the army, was assigned to the truck service. Arriving in France in July, 1918, he was assigned to an ammunition train, and lost no time in getting to the front. During the big drive near Metz in October, his ammunition train saw particularly hard service. Each train was composed of 25 big trucks and each truck was loaded to capacity with ammunition for the big American guns which were hurling tons of steri upon the Germans. In his ammunition train there were 858 soldiers and only 24 escaped the guns of the Germans, which were centered on the roads the trucks traveled. The ammunition was hauled to the front at night time, and Davies said the boys all prayed for a dark night, because when it was light, the German planes were clways over them dropping explos-ives. There was no such thing as If a bomb hit an ammunition wagon and it went up in smoke, the procession was never stopped; if a truck ran into a big shell hole, only the truck in the shell hole stopped their bhsiness was to get ammunition to the batteries and they did it. Oftentimes they worked 20 hours without a wink of sleep. The main ammunition supply depots were from 12 to 12 miles back of the lines and

10 to 12 miles back of the lines, and it was the job of the ammunition train to deliver the goods right at the front. Oftentimes, they had to pass within 100 yards of the Ger-man trenches and be on the lookout for the hand grenades which were sure to come their way. The only consolation, Davie said, was are sure to ton, Davie said, was lift consolation, Davie said, was lat if anything hit you, you would never a suick you would never go up so quick you would never realize it." At the head of the train

fields, but many of the souvenirs he sent the Germans back to Germany. September. However, he was out of the hospital in a few weeks and helped to run the Germans out of Metz.

When he lived in St. Helens, Davie worked for Elmer Blackburn and at the Columbia County Lumber company, and he has many friends here. His home is in Clatskanie.

A Strange Coincidence

Lon Christian enlisted in the en-gineers in Vancouver on June 4tl., in German lines and were taken in German lines and were taken prisoners. Stewart has the title of prisoners. Stewart has the title of 1917. He gave his age as 57. Before enlisting he worked for C. Rabinsky, who has a ranch in the Dutch Can-have had a li yon section. Rabinsky is a veteral if he desired. of the German army. He was at Metz in 1871 when the French surrendered to the Germans. He and Christian didn't agree as to the respective merits of the German and American armies. Rabinsky thought the Germans could never be run out of Metz. He was there when Germany took it, and like all Germans, he thought the troops of the "Frtherland" would hold Mets. Christian did not agree with the former subject of the kais-er. It is now Mr Christian's pleasto tell Rabinsky that it was HIS (Christian's) pleasure to see the Germans leave Metz and give that city over to the Americans. Chris-tian, who was a cook in the engineer's company, was at the front at St. Mihiel, Verdun, and Chateau-Thierry. He was badly scalded when one of the "traveling" kitchens upset, but although the surgeon had nothing but oleomargarine to dress his wounds, he stayed by the kitchen and furnished hot meals to the boys in the front line trenches, who were driving the Huns out of French terpedestrians.

| Place he was mighty shall be convoy and the trucks a pace setter—a touring car and the trucks kept that pace over the rough and narrow roads and the trucks kept that pace over the rough and narrow roads and the trucks kept that pace over the rough and narrow roads and the trucks kept that pace over the rough and narrow roads and the trucks kept that pace over the rough and narrow roads and the trucks kept that pace over the rough and narrow roads and the trucks kept that pace over the rough and narrow roads and dodging shell holes, delivered, or that he will tell his former employer that he will tell his former employer that he will tell his former employer that he lived to see the Americans three gold stripes which tell of 18 munition for the big guns which